

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel claims 23-36.

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-36 (Cancelled)

37. (Original) A multi-stage method of using a multi-stage tricycle including a front with a rotatable wheel, a rear with opposite rotatable wheels, pedals to pedal the tricycle, and a seat; an arcuate bottom rack including a front and a rear rotatably coupled to the rear of the tricycle, wherein said multi-stage tricycle includes a first stage where said arcuate bottom rack is rotated below said tricycle, bows downward, contacts the ground and supports said tricycle for rocking movement of the tricycle by a child on the tricycle, a second stage where said arcuate bottom rack is rotated and erected behind said tricycle, does not support said tricycle and said arcuate bottom rack forms a push handle for pushing a child on the tricycle; and a third stage where said arcuate bottom rack is separated from the tricycle for normal pedaling and tricycle operation by a child on the tricycle; and further including a lock to lock the front of the tricycle to the front of the arcuate bottom rack when said multi-stage tricycle is in said first stage, the method including:

providing the multi-stage tricycle in a first stage for a child by rotating said arcuate bottom rack below said tricycle so that the arcuate bottom rack bows downward, contacts the ground and supports said tricycle and the child rocking the tricycle back and forth in the first stage;

providing the multi-stage tricycle in a second stage for a child by rotating and erecting the arcuate bottom rack behind said tricycle so that the arcuate bottom rack does not support said tricycle and forms a push handle and pushing the child on the tricycle with the push handle;

providing the multi-stage tricycle in a third stage for a child by detaching the arcuate bottom rack from the tricycle and the child pedaling the tricycle.

38. (Original) The method of claim 37, further including a lock to lock the front of the tricycle to the front of the arcuate bottom rack when said multi-stage tricycle is in said first stage,

and the method further including locking the front of the tricycle to the front of the arcuate bottom rack with said lock when said multi-stage tricycle is in said first stage.

39. (Original) The method of claim 37, further including a lock to lock said arcuate bottom rack erected behind said tricycle to form said push handle when said multi-stage tricycle is in said second stage, said arcuate bottom rack and said rear of said tricycle including holes that align when said arcuate bottom rack is erected behind said tricycle in said second stage, and said lock including an insertion pin slidably removable within the aligned holes of the arcuate bottom rack and the rear frames in a lateral direction, and the method further including locking said arcuate bottom rack in an erect position behind said tricycle to form said push handle when said multi-stage tricycle is in said second stage by slidably inserting said insertion pin in a lateral direction within the aligned holes of the arcuate bottom rack and the rear of the tricycle.

40. (Original) The method of claim 37, wherein said arcuate bottom rack widens progressing from the front to the rear of said arcuate bottom rack.

41. (Original) The method of claim 37, wherein said arcuate bottom rack includes a back support when the arcuate bottom rack is erected behind said tricycle to form said push handle when said multi-stage tricycle is in said second stage, and the method further including the child resting back on the back support when said multi-stage tricycle is in said second stage.

42. (Original) The method of claim 37, further including a rear axle that said wheels of the rear of the tricycle are rotatably connected to, and the rear of the arcuate bottom rack is rotatably coupled to said tricycle, around said rear axle.

43. (Original) The method of claim 37, wherein said rear of the arcuate bottom rack is rotatably coupled to said tricycle inside said wheels of the rear of the tricycle.

44. (Original) The method of claim 37, wherein said rear of the arcuate bottom rack is rotatably and detachably coupled to said tricycle.